

## **ATTACHMENT C**

### **SPECIFIC CRITERIA TO REMOVE A LIQUIDAMBAR STYRACIFLUA – AMERICAN SWEETGUM TREE**

Limit of one hundred (100) Liquidambar street trees to be removed each fiscal year by adjacent property owners under the following terms:

- The property owner applies for and receives a Street Tree Work Permit approved by the Superintendent of Trees and Landscaping or his designated representative at a cost of \$25.
- The property owner is to provide evidence of homeowners insurance that covers public liability and property damage coverage and sign a release holding the City harmless of any liability due to actions in the course of the street tree removal and its replacement. The property owner shall hire a California State licensed contractor with a minimum license classification of C-61 limited specialty D-49 – 'Tree Service' to perform the tree removal and replacement.
- One Liquidambar street tree may be removed per each ten (10) existing Liquidambar street trees per street block section (from cross street to cross street) per year excluding Liquidambar trees that have to be removed by the City due to disease, damage, decay or other hazard factors as determined by the Superintendent of Trees and Landscaping.
- No two adjacent Liquidambar trees on the same property or adjoining properties may be removed in the same fiscal year.
- When there are more requests for Liquidambar street tree removal than can be allowed for the current fiscal year, a priority listing will be established ranking the removal requests by date and time of the request. Subsequent removals shall be granted for a given block section according to the established removal request listing for that block.
- The removed Liquidambar street tree shall be replaced with a thirty-six inch standard nursery box tree or equivalent size as directed by the Superintendent of Trees and Landscaping from the existing Liquidambar tree replacement listing. Where an alternative replacement species has been previously established for a particular block segment, subsequent replacement trees shall be the same species unless, in the determination of the Superintendent of Trees and Landscaping that the planting site cannot support said tree species. The replacement tree shall be installed within thirty days of removal of the existing tree.

